# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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INFECTION IN BURNS WARD
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government are aware that the patients admitted to the Burns Ward of Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi develop infection;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the measures taken to improve the situation?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a)&(b): No, Sir. However, burn patients with extensive raw area are prone to colonisation of bacteria rather than infection. Usually, patients with more than 80 per cent of body surface area burn develop endogenous infection. The total number of such patients during the last one year is 564 out of approximately 7000 attendance.

(c): Air and Wall Cultures for bacterial growth of Burns Ward are undertaken regularly. In case, any bacterial growth is noticed, fumigation is performed.